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COOPERATOR PLANS SOUVENIR SUPPLEMENT

Charter Day Supplement to Cooperator
to Appear June 1, Provided Citizens
Respond to Plan of Journalistic
Club

With a wealth of source material to draw upon, Greenbelt citizens are requested to submit short essays, historical reviews, and factual reports on every civic, educational, and social enterprise, with which this community is concerned.

At its last meeting the Greenbelt Journalistic Club appointed Rae B. Sowell, Webster McAchren and Louis Bessemer as a Special Editorial Committee to gather material and supervise publication of a "Charter Day Supplement" of the Greenbelt Cooperator to appear on June 1. "Though brief in all essentials, the supplement should be a documentary outline on the whole Greenbelt project," Louis Bessemer, club president, said.

"While our proposed Cooperator Supplement will neither be a catalogue of organizations and events, nor a Greenbelt Guidebook, it will be a documentary record of Greenbelt's first year, with some indications as to the variety of its civic groups and their special objectives," Bessemer reported.

Interviewed on this subject Monday, Rae B. Sowell, one of the originators of the Green (see "SUPPLEMENT")
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Cooperative Organizing Committee Holds First Open Session 8.00 Tomorrow Night

As required by the by-laws, the Cooperative Organizing Committee is holding its monthly public meeting. This month the meeting will be held in the School Social Room on Thursday May 12. Citizens will have an opportunity to make recommendations to the committee.

Speaking at the Greenbelt Citizens Association meeting of May 2, Peter J. Carroll, Chairman of the Cooperative Organizing Committee, presented a comprehensive report of that committee.

To enable our stores to function with the utmost efficiency and satisfaction to patrons, the Committee has prepared Consumers' complaint forms which will be found in the different stores and the Post Office in a few days. These forms will be used solely for constructive purposes and no one need hesitate to sign his name.

The committee reported that volume of business in the Food Store continues to grow as the number of families increases. The Finance Committee roughly estimated the patronage of the store at between 55% and 60% of the total expenditures of Greenbelt families for food.

Greater sales volume will be reflected in decreased prices.

The store layout is designed for top efficiency when the town is filled and as a consequence (see "C.O.C. MEETING")
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SPECIAL

The Post Office will be open Sunday, May 15, from 9:00 A. M. to 10:00 A. M., for the sale of stamps only, including a special air mail stamp to be issued for the first time that day.

SUPPLEMENT (continued)

belt Cooperator, said: "Every civic organization in Greenbelt has set for itself certain unique objectives, and has enlisted the services of many volunteer workers. Wherever an organization, or an individual, has advanced a worthy cause, our special editorial committee, would like to have a brief, accurate, report for the Charter Day Supplement."

The Cooperator invites all men and women who have worked on Greenbelt activities to submit articles on the field of their activity. Such articles should be addressed to the "Editorial Committee, Charter Day Supplement, Greenbelt Cooperator, Greenbelt, Md.," not later than Friday May 20,-- that is within ten days.

Citizens of Greenbelt are requested to urge officials of their clubs, schools, churches, -- leaders of special classes, educational groups, and special committees, to send in reports, editorial extracts, comment, poems, quotations from books -- in fact anything bearing on Greenbelt.

The Special Editorial Committee will review their material and include it or use it in compiling the supplement. Editorial work and classification of material will begin immediately after May 20, and prompt cooperation is requested by the committee.

"If the Supplement for Charter Day is well done, we believe we shall have a continuous sale for it through the Greenbelt Drug Store, where we are receiving requests for a Souvenir Pamphlet telling about Greenbelt", Robert E. Jacobsen, manager of the store said.

It is planned to print about 1500 copies of the original mimeographed Supplement. If it is found suitable it may be republished in more permanent form, with pictorial illustrations.

The Special Committee warned, however, that if sufficient material is not turned in by interested organizations and citizens, the Supplement would not be published, but articles submitted would be turned over to the regular staff of the Cooperator for publication as feature material in regular editions of the weekly.

CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION DANCE MAY 21.

Benson's Orchestra to Play

Benson's Orchestra, under the direction of Frank Bird, will hold sway at the next Citizens' Association Dance, to be held Saturday, May 21. This orchestra was well received at the last dance and the Citizens Association is very pleased to have signed it up for a Saturday date.

A door prize will be given away, but only tickets bought prior to dance night will be included in the draw.

John Bozek, chairman of the Recreation committee, is in charge of arrangements. Tickets will be on sale in a few days.

VARIETY DEPARTMENT IN DRUG STORE

Another Greenbelt enterprise has come into being: The variety department in the Greenbelt Pharmacy.

One can now see many large tables laden with kitchen utensils, picnic supplies, summer glassware, summer toys and notions. In addition are to be found lawn mowers, lawn furniture and other household accessories.

Mr. Ralph Coffman, in charge of the variety department, says that new fixtures will soon replace the temporary counters and tables.

Mr. Coffman stated that the variety shop, when opened, is to be located in the large store beneath the community managers office.

At present items in greatest demand will be carried in the drug store.

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quence a minimum number of employees must be on hand whether sales are \$2000 or \$4000 per week. In the first case the pay roll costs are about 12% of the receipts, in the second about 8%. The latter is a satisfactory figure. At present, sales are climbing towards a \$3000 weekly average.

The barber shop is prospering so well that the Committee has recommended the employment of an additional barber.

The Drug store registered \$836.51 total sales for its first week, this

DR. DAWBER GIVES DELIGHTFUL TALK

THE GREENBELT PLAYS

The much-heralded and much-looked-for picnic of last Sunday May 8th, was rained out - or putting it more correctly - rained in. After more than two weeks of ideal weather it just had to rain the afternoon of the picnic. So most of the picnickers, including a delegation from Washington representing the District Cooperative League and headed by Leroy Halbert, its president, gathered in the shack near the lake. There they got acquainted with each other, took part in community singing led by Fred Wilde, ate their lunches, which they had brought with them, and despite the inclement weather had a very good time.

But the real treat came in the evening in the form of a delightful and instructive talk by Dr. Mark C. Dawber in the School Auditorium. Preceding Dr. Dawber's talk, Mr. Barberie showed a movie loaned by the Interior Department, depicting the activities of the CCC boys. Following that Fred Wilde repeated one of the songs he had sung earlier in the day.

Dr. Mark C. Dawber, Home Mission Council Executive Secretary, discussed the relationship of religion to the cooperative movement.

A church that does not concern itself with the economic welfare of its members is doomed to failure, said Dr. Dawber. He emphasized the fact that true religion is incompatible with our present economic system, for, said he, while all religions teach brotherly love our present system with its cut-throat competition is dependent on violence for its survival. Strikes and wars are the direct results of our competitive system, he added. There is no need for poverty in our land today, Dr. Dawber declared. We have the means to satisfy all the wants of all the people all the time, Dr. Dawber added, and if we but employ the correct method of distribution we can accomplish this. That method, Dr. Dawber indicated, is the cooperative method.

G.C.A. ELECTS OFFICERS

The newly elected officers of the Greenbelt Citizens Association are: Pres., Francis J. Lastner; Vice-Pres., Yale B. Huffman; Treas., Bernard D. Gibbons; Rec. Sec'y., Bertha Bonham; Corres. Sec'y., Lydalu Palmer. The above were elected at the meeting held on May 2, 1938.

Three one-act plays were presented by the Greenbelt Players, Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7 in the Greenbelt Theater.

"The Bathroom Door", a farce based on much ado about nobody in a bathroom, was very well directed. Evidence of that was seen in the fine group action of the players. The dialogue, however, was rather poor. The Prima Donna, (Fan Schein), for instance, failed to "emote" when occasion called for it. In general there was a tendency for the cast to declaim, which lent the play a high-schoolish air. The sets were good. The few full-fledged laughs were elicited by the Old Lady (Dorothy Rider) with her goofy antics--more evidence of good directing. Director of this play: Dorothy East.

"Langer", enacted by the players talking into microphones offstage and their voices issuing from a radio, was the most "dramatic" of the three plays. Here the director, Howard C. Custer, having nothing to work with but the players' voices and a few sound effects, succeeded in creating an atmosphere of convincing realism. The excellent voices of the players put the piece over.

"Phipps", a bit of pish-posh with a pretense at sophistication, depicts the domestic squabbles of an aristocratic British couple, complicated by the butler's harboring a secret passion for his mistress. Acting and directing good; sets, excellent. Dorothy Harris was very convincing as Lady Margaret. James Dunaway did well in the difficult role of Sir Gerald, while Lawrence Larmore as Phipps gave the best performance of all. This play was directed by Theodora Murray.

For the major shortcomings of the production the fault lies not so much with the players nor with the directors, but rather with the plays selected, which are all piffle. Had the Greenbelt Players devoted as much care, and as much time, proportionately, to the selection of the plays as they did to the rehearsals, etc., their efforts would have been crowned with much greater success.

Much credit is due the production staffs - the scene builders, technicians, make-up men, - who gave unstintingly of their time and without whose efforts the plays could not have been produced.

S.M.

SAFETY FOR THE CO-MAKER

The life of every borrower from the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union is insured to the amount of the loan, without extra cost to the borrower. This new type of Borrower's Protection Insurance is obtained from the CUNA Mutual Society, a non-profit insurance company owned and operated by and for credit unions on a cooperative basis. Since its organization two years ago by the Credit Union National Association (with which the local credit union is affiliated), this cooperative has written over \$20,000,000. in coverage on this type of policy.

Under the plan, the credit union obtains a blanket policy on all borrowers for which it pays \$.75 per month per \$1,000. loans outstanding. If during the period of any loan the borrower should die, the insurance company pays to the credit union the full balance due on the loan, without recourse against the borrower's family, estate, collateral pledged, or co-makers who have signed his note.

Thus the co-maker is fully protected in the event of the death of the maker of the loan.

AMERICAN CO-OP IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

N. Kansas City, Mo. - According to a news release of the Cooperative League News Service, the Consumers Cooperative Association continued to expand its program of international cooperative trade when it received an order from the Bulgarian Cooperative Wholesale Society for 4,760 gallons of lubricating oil blended in the cooperative compounding plant here for shipment to Sofia, Bulgaria.

When the co-op oil leaves New Orleans early this month, C.C.A. will be serving cooperative wholesales in six foreign countries. During the past three years shipments have been made to cooperatives in France, Belgium, Scotland, Estonia, and Canada. Each cooperative wholesale earns its share of stock in the North Kansas City co-op on savings made through cooperative purchase, giving it a vote in the control of the organization. It then receives its savings in patronage dividends just as do the 400 local retail coops affiliated with C.C.A. in 10 Midwestern states.

BOOST THE COOPERATIVES

NEWARK PAPER FEATURES GREENBELTER

Mrs. Pauline Trattler, of 1-H Southway, on a recent visit to Newark, New Jersey, her home town, stopped in one day at the Ledger office to interview the Editor and in turn was interviewed by him.

The result was a two column feature story on Greenbelt, with a picture, of Greenbelt and Mrs. Trattler in the Newark Sunday Ledger.

The story on Greenbelt describing all the activities, regulations and reasons for them, was complete in every detail. The article ends with Mrs. Trattler's remark, "I hope that cities such as Newark will learn a few things from our town's example. It's ideal in Greenbelt."

COUNTY NEWS

At the last regular meeting of the Prince George's County Federation of Citizens' Associations, May 5, at 8:00 P.M. in the fire house on Bladensburg Road, the report of the Legislative Committee was discussed.

The committee reported favorably on a plan to change the present Justice of the Peace set-up, recommended strengthening the police force of Prince Georges County and proposed several road improvements. It is studying the advisability of a County Manager plan and a Civil Service system for the county.

One of our own delegates, Mr. Stanley B. Rider, is a member of the Legislative Committee.

Greenbelt's campaign for a model milk ordinance is receiving recognition. At this meeting of the Federation, a special committee was appointed to report on health information. This subject has heretofore been included in the Legislative Committee's program.

Mr. Rider was appointed chairman of the Health Committee, which will study the Greenbelt Citizens Association's proposal for a milk ordinance.

The remainder of the Legislative Committee's report will be discussed at the next meeting.

Greenbelt delegates attending the Federation meeting included Mr. Stanley B. Rider and Mr. George T. Talbott. Visitors to the Federation from Greenbelt were Mrs. Gail Harper and Mr. and Mrs. Thoman R. Freeman.

ONLY THREE DAYS NOW FOR TOWN FLAG AND SEAL CONTEST

Local Competition closes Mid-night May 14
Council Reports.

With only three days remaining before Greenbelt's official flag and seal contest closes, Councilmen here request that each competitor place entries with any member of the Council or with the Town Manager before the dead-line Saturday.

Councilmen will examine each design at a committee meeting at the earliest time possible. In the event that the winning seal and winning flag, properly accompanied by interpretations, as specified in the contest rules published in the Greenbelt Cooperator, March 30, are not officially adopted by the Town Council the winners will be given public recognition for their efforts nevertheless--and prizes will be awarded.

"It is hoped that the designs will be so representative and so effectively worked out that it will not be necessary to secure professional artists to design the official flag and seal," Mayor Louis Bessemer told the Cooperator.

THEATRE EQUIPMENT BIDS INVITED

Bids for Greenbelt Theatre sound and projection equipment and for its installation have been invited by the Farm Security Administration, and will be opened at 2 P. M., May 20, 1938.

Movie addicts will be glad to know that there will be little delay in the work. The contractors will be assessed \$25. for each day's delay beyond the date contracted for completion.

MR. PITTMAN RESIGNS

The Cooperator announces with regret the resignation of Mr. Levi I. Pittman, as illustrator for the Cooperator.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for his long and skillful service to the Cooperator, and we regret that pressure of other duties has necessitated his resignation.

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS.

IMPROVED TRANSPORTATION SEEN

Terms of a contract between the Capital Transit Co. and the Farm Security Administration were read and bus-riders opinions were given a public hearing at a meeting called by Town Manager Roy S. Braden at the school auditorium Tuesday night, May 3.

Though no utilities experts representing the community were present, Dean J. Locke, a traffic engineer of CTC, gave concise answers to every question raised by local residents.

When all overhead expenses are figured in, it is reported by the CTC representative, the actual cost of every round-trip to Washington with a small bus is \$5.00. Accurate checks show that each bus operates on a 12.8 mile run from the Greenbelt business district to 9th Street and Constitution Avenue, Washington. The shuttle-bus service between Berwyn and Greenbelt is checked each way at 3.4 miles.

The Greenbelt bus rider pays a three-zone fare. First he pays for a zone, which embraces the District of Columbia and then for the first and second Maryland zones. If he rides the limited bus his three fares may be paid in tokens (6 for 50¢) or in dimes. Tickets good on shuttle bus and trolley for Maryland zones can be obtained at 20 for one dollar. A weekly commutation ticket costs \$1.75.

Mr. Locke declared that new busses of proper size and number, when needed, will supplement the regular Greenbelt fleet. Cost accounting and auditing of all records in the Greenbelt transportation set-up, by Farm Security Administration representatives is part of the contract arrangement.

"In this transportation set-up," Town Manager Braden said, "in the event of any excess revenue, after all operating costs are paid off, the government (FSA) receives 50% of whatever profits accrue, and the CTC receives the other 50 percent," he said. The contract is for a one-year term, beginning April 7, 1937.

Among other high-lights at the transportation meeting Tuesday, it developed that Capital Transit Company expects a minimum of 6% per annum return on its investment. Under the contract with FSA (See "Transportation", next page)

COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT DECREASED

A \$442,000 school building program and an expenditure of more than \$2,000,000 on construction at the University of Maryland is gradually decreasing unemployment in Prince Georges County, according to Mr. E. Claude Gaylor, head of the Hyattsville office of the State Employment Service.

Four hundred and sixty-nine persons were on the county unemployment compensation rolls in January, 132 in March and 82 in April.

TRANSPORTATION (Continued)

this return is guaranteed along with 14.2% per annum (for depreciation) which is used for replacement reserve for all equipment in operation on the Greenbelt fleet.

Before the company receives any return on its investment, it must make deductions for taxes, license fees, wages, maintenance, administration, and legal fees in case of accidents, injuries, or damage claims, it was pointed out.

CTC experts announce that Greenbelt will have seven new busses in operation by July 1. These will be delivered from the factories of the Yellow Coach Co., and are the first small busses equipped with engines in the rear. The Public Service Co. of Newark, N.J., had placed an order for 170 of these busses, Mr. Locke explained, "and seven were diverted to Greenbelt."

The new busses will have aluminum color tops. Greenbelt citizens are urged to suggest suitable distinctive color markings for these new busses.

Last month the FSA paid out \$800. to meet the losses entailed in operation. Funds are being diverted from library, recreational, and adult educational programs to meet the demands of the subsidy. Explaining that additional patronage would wipe out this deficit, Mr. Braden remarked that all Greenbelt citizens are paying the bill.

The number of passes sold to Greenbelt bus riders by CTC during the past eight weeks follows: 119, 119, 121, 117, 134, 132, 154, 155. A motion presented by Mr. Robert R. (Transportation) Porter, providing for an Advisory Committee on Transportation, was carried at the meeting.

POPE PIUS PRAISES NOVA SCOTIA COOPERATIVE MOVEMENT

Antigonish, Nova Scotia--St. Francis Xavier University and its extension staff, which has taken the leadership in organizing an adult education and cooperative program which is credited with the economic reconstruction of Nova Scotia, has been given the Blessing of Pope Pius XI.

In a letter addressed to Rev. James Morrison, Bishop of Antigonish and Chancellor of St. Francis Xavier University the Holy Father declares that the movement has "brought him great joy and is an earnest of better things for the time to come".

The "Antigonish movement", as it has come to be called, has led to the organization of 1,100 study clubs. From these study clubs have grown 105 cooperative credit unions, 35 cooperative stores, 24 cooperative fish plants and lobster processing factories.

Already "emulating the work of St. Francis Xavier University", other organizations have spread the work to New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Newfoundland. To stimulate further interest in the Antigonish program, the Cooperative League of the U.S.A. has scheduled two tours to Nova Scotia for the coming summer.

(From Cooperative-News Service Dispatch)

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an open competitive examination for the position of Student Nurse at the Training School for Nurses at St. Elizabeths Hospital, Washington, D. C. Applicants must have been graduated from a standard 4 year high school course which must have included certain specified units. Applications will be accepted from senior students subject to later proof of graduation. Applicants must have reached their eighteenth but must not have passed their thirtieth birthday on the date of the close of receipt of applications. These age limits will not be waived in any case.

Full information may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

GREENBELT HEALTH ASSOCIATION NEWS

MEET JULIANO, BARBER OF GREENBELT

The directors of the Greenbelt Health Association have under consideration the employment of a nurse as soon as the increase in membership will make it practicable.

The applicant being given the most serious consideration has had considerable training and experience in the field of nursing and comes well recommended. The employment of such an all-around nurse would remove some of the load from Dr. Dryden's shoulders, as she would be qualified to do some of the detail work which he is now required to do, such as performing laboratory routine and other necessary duties of a doctor's office.

In the meantime several very enthusiastic ladies of Greenbelt are graciously volunteering their services as doctor's assistants at the Health Center.

Mrs. J. V. Lettkemann, Mrs. Theodora Wilson, Mrs. Leo Schmidt, Mrs. James Dacus, Mrs. Betty Dickerman, Mrs. Fannie Schein, Mrs. J. L. Dameron, Mrs. Gail H. Harper, and others are taking turns at the Health Center receiving callers, assisting the doctor and being generally helpful to the Association, to the doctor, and to the patients.

Of the two lady board members, only Mrs. Wilson has had experience as a nurse. However, she does not desire the job and has made no effort to secure it. Nor does Mrs. Lettkemann, who is not a nurse, have any designs on the job. Both prefer to remain as board members for which they receive not a penny compensation.

While some 150 residents signified their intention of joining the Health Association when it was organized, only about 60 paid their dues by the first of April. However, now applications for membership come in practically every day and the Association is steadily growing, according to one of the directors. At the end of April there was a paid membership in excess of 100. It is felt by the board members that the intensive drive for new members, which has recently been started, will continue to show gratifying results.

Tragedy walks the highway. Let's not keep her company.

It is not generally known that we number among our public men in Greenbelt a personage who has mingled with the mighty. Franklin D. Roosevelt, General Pershing, Admiral Simms and William Jennings Bryan are a few of those with whom Mike Juliano, our popular barber, has had professional dealings. Yes, the nimble fingers that guide a clipper as it climbs up the side of our necks, or whisk a razor over our jowls as we lie helpless and lathered in the barber's chair, once performed those very services for men whose names are familiar in every American household.

Mike has a wide and interesting background in his craft. Of his 25 years of barbering, 15 were spent in Washington at the Shoreham Hotel and Army and Navy Club. It was while in this city that he plied scissors and razor on national notables too numerous to mention.

Juliano later barbered in Atlantic City where he prospered to the extent of acquiring his own shop and home. Then came the depression and presto, Mike was on his back, sans home, sans shop, sans everything save his sunny disposition.

Juliano returned to the Capital, where he started from scratch again.

He moved into Greenbelt several months ago, and resides here with his wife and two children.

Barbering the high and mighty has not made Juliano hoity-toity. A mop of hair is a mop of hair to Mike, no matter whose cranium it adorns.

In the first two weeks of business here, Mr. Juliano reports, he cut 433 heads-----of hair.

"I love Greenbelt", says Mike, "and I'm sure glad I got this job. With all the fine equipment here, I'm going to give the best haircuts in the country."

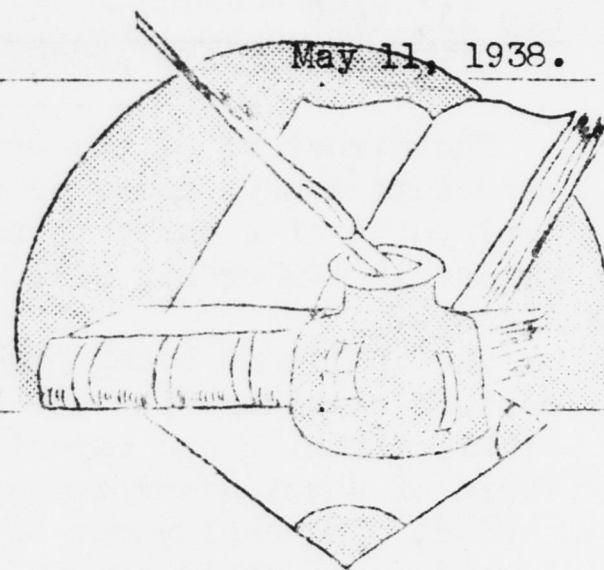
A P O L O G Y

Production difficulties beset the Cooperator's last issue, resulting in a number of errors and in indistinct copies. Particularly mangled were the Women's Pages (through no fault of the Women's Page Editor) and the article on the Hare system, in which the ballots were misstated.

We ask the pardon of subscribers and contributors.

Editor

Editorial



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AU REVOIR BUT NOT ADIEU

The petals of the dogwood have been scattered to the four winds. After reigning in glory for over a month, Greenbelt's myriad dogwood trees have renounced their crown of white, for a crown of vivid green.

That Greenbelt community spirit is no puny fledgling, and that Greenbeltians can see the day to be as well as the day that is, is strikingly attested by thousands of gracefull branches of our dogwood trees whose low hanging blossoms invited at once our inspection and their destruction. Our inspection they amply received, and amply merited; but few are the branches, however tempting, which will not be there to bloom again next year.

Greenbeltians have preserved for future years what they enjoyed so much today.

Those who awaited the blooming of the dogwood with fear as well as joy -- fear that the fresh white blossoms would prove too tempting to a city-bred populace -- can now view with unshadowed delight the blushing azalea and the snow-white mountain laurel.

Greenbeltians have shown that they will not destroy the beauty that is Greenbelt's.

W. R. V.

THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE ...

Mr. Frank Lastner, our new Greenbelt Citizens' Association president, has earned the respect of all democratically minded Greenbeltians by his refusal to allow himself to be railroaded into office by a small interest group. More than that, he has prevented what might

otherwise have been a serious split in the ranks of the Association.

For the (possible) benefit of posterity, and for the information of any Greenbeltians who were unable to attend the last G. C. A. meeting, we shall review briefly the course of the election of the new G. C. A. president.

At the last minute, for good and sufficient reason (see below), Dr. Linden S. Dodson, one of the two candidates for president of the G. C. A. nominated at the preceding meeting, found it necessary to withdraw, leaving Mr. Lastner the sole candidate for president. In order that a supposedly democratic election would not degenerate into a formality, in order that all members of the Association might have equal opportunity to support citizens of their choice, and in order that both the successful candidate and the electorate could know that the new president was chosen for better reason than the fact that there was no one else to vote for, a request was made for unanimous consent to reopen nominations.

A small group killed this request.

This group certainly was justified in backing a candidate as worthy as Mr. Lastner. We wonder, however, if it was as justified in endeavoring to refuse to any but its members the opportunity to choose the new president, and in refusing to Mr. Lastner the privilege of standing or falling by the vote of the people rather than on a parliamentary technicality.

If this group felt that Mr. Lastner was the people's choice, it had no reason to oppose further nominations; if it felt that Mr. Lastner was not the people's choice, it had no right to oppose further nomination. By "right" of course we mean right with reference to democratic principles rather than with reference to parliamentary prerogative.

Happily Mr. Lastner had the courage and the good judgment to oppose this group of supporters and ask for further nominations; and when even this did not change the group's stand, to withdraw his name from candidacy -- thereby leaving no candidate for president, and forcing reopening of nominations.

Nominations were reopened, the election run off, and Mr. Lastner was elected. Since Mr. Lastner undoubtedly

would have been elected if nominations had not been reopened, was all the discussion in vain?

We think not. For Mr. Lastner now stands elected not on a parliamentary technicality, but against all comers; he stands not as a pressure group's choice for the people, but as the people's choice.

As such Mr. Lastner can be assured of the cooperation of all G.C.A. members -- which, as he so truly pointed out at the close of the meeting, is essential to proper functioning of the Association.

Democracy has no greater need than for men, who, like Mr. Lastner, are willing to sacrifice the opportunity for personal prestige in fostering the public interest.

W. R. V.

----- THE WHY AND WHEREFORE -----

Dr. Linden S. Dodson has been rather severely criticized by some of our citizens for withdrawing from candidacy for G. C. A. president at the eve of the last election.

A little more consideration would have changed the criticism to commendation.

It seems that less than a week before the date of the election, Dr. Dodson along with five other leading agricultural authorities of the University of Maryland was appointed to a committee whose important work it is to coordinate the Maryland five year agricultural plan with the federal government Agricultural Adjustment Administration program.

The committee is sponsored jointly by the University of Maryland, the AAA, and the Maryland State Government. Its success or failure will effect vitally the welfare of the agricultural population throughout the State of Maryland.

Greenbelt is proud to see one of its citizens take such a prominent place in governmental affairs, but realizes that the responsibilities and duties associated with such honors absorb much time which might otherwise have been devoted to community affairs.

W. R. V.

Keys to hose connections will be provided to residents without charge at the management office.

CUSTER'S LAST STAND

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I am not a member of the Athletic Association

And

I would have supported Dr. Dodson for President of the Citizens Association if he'd given me a chance to do so

But

I am not among those non-Athletes who look with alarm upon Mr. Lastner's election to the Presidency of the Citizens Association.

There seems to be an unfortunate misunderstanding, both by some of the athletes and by others, of the place the Athletic Association holds in the community.

This organization's function is to provide a program of recreational activity for its members. It is doing that well. It seems to have developed a well-conceived program and is carrying it along with a sustained enthusiasm that might well be emulated by other groups.

It is not a political organization and would largely defeat its true objectives if it were to make itself so. I believe it has no intention of making itself so. As an organization its own program is too important and will take all its time; it will have no time to run the rest of the town. As an organization its own problems are too serious to risk bringing in other possible causes for splitting the group. Surely it has no intention of dominating the community; of deciding community policies and elections in its caucuses, and rough-riding them through by force of its numbers. Its members are too democratic and too concerned with the welfare of Greenbelt to let that happen.

However, I don't mean to say that it won't play an important part in the life of the community, aside from its recreational contribution. For one thing it gives a priceless opportunity for its members to size up a large proportion of the population of the town. There are few things like a work-out and a closely fought game for showing up the true stature of a man. At least these are generally more satisfactory than a two minute speech. If the Athletes

SOCIAL MOVEMENTS

Henry Little

There has been an ever growing number of Social movements both in this country and abroad since the World War. It is the aim of each of these movements to alter, in varying degrees, the conditions of our lives. But whereas the movements do have the idea of Change in common they generally disagree as to the methods to be used to produce change and the purposes for which it is produced.

By way of explanation we may consider two representative modern social movements: The Oxford Group, and Consumer Cooperation. The first of these is essentially a movement which seeks to alter the conditions of life by influencing the religious and moral thought and action of the
(See "SOCIAL MOVEMENTS" next page)

in their activities discover a real leader for the community, they should be thanked. They may well have done so in the case of Mr. Lastner. Although I have met Mr. Lastner only casually, I have reason to believe he will make a good President of the Citizens Association.

In any case all of us must assume that he, as well as the Athletic Association, has the interest of the entire community at heart, that he has a program that takes in the whole community, that chooses lieutenants according to ability, and not organizational pull. We must get in back of him and participate actively in his administration, to help make it a strong and successful one for the good of Greenbelt.

If the time ever does come when any one group tries to exploit the community as its own private preserve, then, of course, we must fight that group mightily. I promise that I will then join any brave minority group there may be. Then we will get on our high horse and cry our protests to high heaven.

But that time should never come to Greenbelt. It need not if we all keep an intelligent, unbiased, non-factional grasp on the problems of the community.
Howard C. Custer.

To the Editor:

I take great pleasure in announcing that I have secured the services of our good friend and neighbor Mr. F. W. Schrom, an experienced instructor pilot, his airplane, and his airport for Air Mail Day, May 19.

Mr. Schrom's airport adjoins Greenbelt at the end of Southway Road.

A special pick-up service has been provided for Greenbelt for May 19th. The plane will leave Schrom airport at 9.45 A.M. for Baltimore and points north and on its return to Greenbelt will leave Baltimore at 11 A.M., arriving here between 11.15 A.M. and 11.30 A.M.

I am trying to get permission of the Post Office Department to allow airmail posted at Greenbelt and addressed to residents of Greenbelt to leave on the 9.45 A.M. plane and return on the 11.00 A.M. plane, thus making the letters or parcels truly air-mail. This should be of special interest to stamp collectors, who wish mementos of Air Mail Week.

If I can get the auditorium and suitable speakers for some night the latter part of this week or the early part of next I shall arrange an enjoyable Air Mail program for the enlightenment and entertainment of the residents of Greenbelt.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Schrom for his kind cooperation in helping to make Air Mail Day a gala day for Greenbelt, and I think we should all show our appreciation by trying to be at the Airport for the departure and the arrival of the Mail Planes.

George W. Bryant,
Postmaster, Greenbelt, Md.

SOCIAL MOVEMENT (continued)
individual. It is a sort of voluntary mass psychoanalysis designed to free the inner life of the individual from the shackles of his economic and social existence. It is largely religious in that it requests the individual to "be good that society may be good". The chief criticism that has been directed against movements of this sort is that they break down in practice, for at the moment the individual goes out in the world to earn a living he finds that he is caught up in a desperate struggle. If he is to succeed he must cast aside as so much cumbersome baggage all such principles of honesty and good

SCOUTS REMEMBER MOTHER'S DAY

Troop 202, in celebration of Mother's Day gave their Mothers a party Friday night. On entering, Mothers and Scouts guessed the amount of pennies in a jar. There were 1099 pennies in the jar. Mrs. Clark won with a guess of 1111.

A brief business meeting followed. All formality was dispensed with and mothers and sons mingled. All passed before a desk with different objects on it. Mrs. Fuller remembered the most with Mrs. Clark a close second.

The Scouts sang some of their favorite songs. Mrs. Palmer sang "To My Mother". Scout Mother's pins, flowers, and other gifts were given out. Other games were played and prizes given.

The troop wishes to express its appreciation of the attendance of the mothers, and for the cake and candy. It is suspected that the Green Bar Patrol (the servers) had their share of ice cream and cake.

We hope the mothers had a good time.
Revere Nielsen

Troop Scribe

conduct as his mother or his Sunday School teacher or some such other impractical person has taught him. There is no time for soul-searching or investigation of the purity of one's motives. Consequently we come to realize that movements such as the Oxford Group while they work rather well for those not deeply engaged in the struggle, have little or no appeal to the person who has to wrest his existence from first, the earth and then, some other struggler.

Consumer Cooperation does not suffer from this impracticality. It does not ask of the individual that he be "good" in a society based on the survival of the fittest. It does offer the individual the possibility of securing control over the means of his existence through cooperative ownership of those means.

C.O.C. MEETING (continued from page 2)
in spite of the fact that it features no patent medicines and cure-alls and has a low mark-up on prescriptions.

TYPISTS, REPORTERS, WANTED! Drop in at the Cooperator Office over the Theater - anytime between 3 p.m. Sat. and 3 A.M. Sun



Mrs. Greenbelt



STAFF

Sara Axelrod
Bertha Maryn

Elizabeth Little
Annis Murdock

Marcelle Bozek
Myrtle Resnick

NEW FOOD AND DRUG BILL STUDIED

Senate Bill No. 5, a bill designed to strengthen the present Food and Drug Act, was studied by Consumer Discussion Group 2, at their twelfth meeting last week.

Mrs. Robert Jacobsen gave a comparison of the descriptive material appearing on the label of Listerine with the descriptive material appearing in one of its advertisements. This was to show that claims for cures are advertised in detail in newspapers or pamphlets. Labels, which the present Food and Drug Act require to be honest, tell very much less. In the case of Listerine, the contents, quantity and Good Housekeeping Seal had sufficed.

The department of Agriculture had supplied Mrs. Robert Mooney, Mrs. Howard, and Mrs. Charles Spector with further material explaining the inadequacy of the present Food and Drug Act, passed in 1906.

From the Survey Graphic, Mrs. Stanley Rider read comparisons between the old Act and Senate Bill 5.

The group received a letter from Consumers Union of the U. S. calling its attention to the addition of a court clause to Bill 5 making it possible for any district judge to issue an injunction to hold up the enforcement of Bill 5, so permitting the continued sale of such seizures by the Department of Agriculture until the Department could prove the material illegal.

Without such a court clause, if an injunction is issued, the seized product cannot be sold until after it is given a clean bill of health.

Group 2. were unanimous in favoring the latter method--the seized product not to be sold until proved legal ----

but part of the Group felt that to delay the passage of Senate Bill 5 for public hearings would result in Congress adjourning without strengthening the 1906 Bill in any manner. Others feeling that for Congress to adjourn first would bring such a storm of protest that a stronger Bill than No. 5 would be submitted, mailed letters to their Congressman and to Representative O'Connor, Chairman of the Rules Committee, asking for public hearings prior to Senate Bill No. 5's appearance on the Floor of the House.

IMPORTANT CHAIRMEN'S MEETING

The Chairmen of the Greenbelt Consumer Discussion Groups met at the home of Mrs. Rider, Wednesday, May 4. Plans were discussed as to the best method of acquainting newcomers with each other and newcomers with the old settlers. Two plans were submitted; one a series of social teas to be given in the homes of the leaders; and another a general social in the Social Room at the school for a section or two.

Mrs. Rider read a letter sent by Consumers Union to consumer conscious groups, calling attention to the fact that Bill S. 5 if passed, would be extremely detrimental to the consumer. This bill would permit any person--including any retail dealer who may be adversely affected by a regulation to apply within 90 days of the issuance of this regulation to any district court for an injunction to restrain its enforcement. If a single district judge issued the requested injunction, the regulations could not be enforced any where in the United States although every other district court

in the country had refused to issue an injunction. The regulations subject to this would include those relating to contaminated food, to the addition of poison to food; to the listing of dangerous drugs etc.

The letter urges consumers to "Write or telegraph John O'Connor, Chairman of the House rules committee demanding that S 5 not be brought up on the floor until public hearings have been held on it."

The Greenbelt group unanimously endorsed this request, and a letter was sent to Mr. O'Connor.

The group received a visit from Mr. Dow, representing Southern Dairies, who came to explain to the group facts regarding the dairy, and the ice-cream it puts out.

In answer to the question "why one reading of the Southern Dairies ice-cream showed a high bacteria count in its chocolate ice-cream, Mr. Dow said that it was one of these unfortunate things that happen, and that they were keeping a strict watch so that it would not occur again. He also revealed that chocolate ice-cream as a rule runs a higher count than the others. Mr. Dow was very informative, answered all questions that the group asked, and invited all those interested to visit the plant.

Greenbelt's most recently organized Discussion Group held its third meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. David Lee, 13 N Ridge Road.

The subject for the meeting was: "What do labels mean to us?" The members have been saving the labels from all canned goods consumed in their homes for the past two weeks, and the information printed thereon formed the basis of the lively discussion. It was agreed that combined consumer interest and action would be necessary to secure standards of quality in the cans and in the canning process.

Those present were Mesdames McGuckin, Martone, Albert, Scott, Cross, P.M. Taylor, Theo. Taylor, and hostess Mrs. Lee.

Age Group of the Mother's Club.

Everyone welcome. Watch bulletin boards for the place and date.

A report on "Where to park your meat," given by Mrs. H. M. Goode, was the first item on the agenda of Discussion Group No. 5 which met on Thursday evening, May 6, at the home of Mrs. C.E. Fitch, 25-A Ridge Road.

The group also discussed the deficiencies of the Food and Drug Act.

Special guest of the evening was Miss Ollie Hoffman. Members present were Mesdames: Ashley, Colliver, Chinitz, Dourick, Carnes, Baxter, Goode and Fitch.

The next meeting will be held Thursday evening May 12.

Consumer Study Group No. 12 met with Mrs. Livesay Friday May 6 and made a brief study of the Food and Drug Act. A definition of the Food and Drug Act was given by Mrs. Livesay and several examples of the dangerous results of the use of highly advertised patent medicine. These examples were discussed pro and con among the members of the group. Several wished to know why there had not been something done about the fraudulent advertising of the manufacturers.

SOCIAL NOTES

Mrs. Edward Eisenbaugh motored back to Greenbelt in the company of Mrs. Ray Eisenbaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Nark, after spending two weeks at Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ashley of 26-A Ridge Road have as their guest Miss Stella Harwood of Asheville, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Butler of Philadelphia, Pa. visited Mr. and Mrs. M. Coff, 2-D Eastway last Sunday, May 1. Mr. David H. Coff, also came for the day. Mrs. Butler is a sister of Mr. M. Coff of Greenbelt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Johnson, President of Hyattsville Mothers' Club, will continue her series of talks on sex education and its relation to our children at the next meeting of the School.

MRS. GULLIBLE AWAKENS

Self-Medication

"Operator, give me 6110. Hello! Is that you, Jane? This is Helen. Say Jane, I won't be able to keep that appointment with you this afternoon. Yes, I've got the backache again. Honest, Jane, if this pain keeps up any longer I'll be a nervous wreck. No, I've never tried it tho I've heard an awful lot about it. See it advertised so much. Hmm, and after taking one bottle she got all well. You don't say! I'm sending Mary right down to the drug store to get me some."

And so, upon the recommendation of a friend who has a friend who tried Lydia E. Pinkham, Helen buys a bottle and treats a backache which might have originated from hundreds of causes. She treats a condition that has been diagnosed by herself and a friend, neither one technically trained in medicine; and administers a medicine that has been concocted by a person who is equally untrained.

The ingredients of these "Women's Ailment Cures" consist generally of alcohol, water, salts, herbs and the like. Others contain injurious drugs that are both habit forming and dangerously harmful.

The American Chamber of Horrors by Ruth deForest Lamb and Traffic in Health by Dr. Charles Solomon disclose interesting information as to the origin and contents of these "Cures".

The famous Lydia E. Pinkham for example was originally a cure for men. This proving unprofitable, the unscientific and untrained organization (the original Mr. Pinkham was a real-estate dealer) turned it into a women's cure.

How, asks the intelligent reader, is it possible that medicants and cures that are fraudulent and known to be such, can still be sold over the drug counter? Under the present Food and Drug Act, the label on patent medicines must not give false, misinforming or fraudulent information. But there is no law that prevents the manufacturer from advertising his wares in any shape, form or manner and thus manage to mislead the gullible consumer.

B. Maryn.

THE KITCHEN MAID

When the children come in from school, hot and hungry, why not surprise them with a tall glass of milk and some of these Chocolate Brownies.

2 eggs	1/3 c. shortening
1 c sugar	1/2 t. vanilla
2-1/2 sq. unsweetened chocolate	1/2 c flour
1/2 t. baking powder	1/2 c. chopped nuts

Beat eggs until frothy; beat in sugar slowly. Melt together over hot water the shortening mixed with chocolate. Add to egg mixture. Add vanilla. Add sifted flour, baking powder and salt. Mix in nuts and spread on greased pan. Bake 30 minutes in moderate oven (350 degrees).

Annis Murdock.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Dish Cloths. Don't throw away your wornout bath towels. Scald them and cut them in squares. They make excellent dishcloths on account of their rough surface.

Sink Strainer Suggestion. A piece of newspaper laid in the sink strainer before greasy water is poured into the sink will gather and hold the grease. A Knife for Slicing. The saw edge of a bread knife slices oranges and tomatoes beautifully thin.

For Covering Dishes. The lead of tea packages makes splendid covering for small dishes of left-overs.

QUESTION BOX

(1) Only 2% of meat on the market is Prime. Therefore because of its scarcity, it is very high in price. However, there is not much difference in quality between prime and choice.

S.A.

(2) The Co-op Blue Label Peas seem to be extremely variable in quality. Some cans are good enough to be used as a side dish for a meal; in others, the peas are so mature and packed in such a thick liquid that they are proper only for use in soup.

TREES ARE WOMEN

by Dorothy Rider

The trees,
How gaily feminine they flaunt
their garlands, leaves and buds a'jaunt,
For it is spring.

The trees,
While summer shimmers overhead
Their grateful shade above us spread
So gently cool.

The trees,
All mothers, yielding plenty down
To us, the hungry on the ground,
In harvest time.

The trees,
How nudely feminine they stand,
For winter claims the frosty land,
And they are bare.

MRS. CHARLES B. PETTIT FETED

Mrs. Charles B. Pettit, 6R Hillside Rd., was the recipient of a stork shower, Friday evening, May 6, at the home of Mrs. Crawford M. Bishop, Jr., 6Q Hillside Rd.

Mrs. Pettit received many lovely gifts. Refreshments were served. A spirit of gaiety prevailed.

Among those present were Mrs. Robt. Narak, Mrs. Chas. Freidman, Mrs. Alfred Sonsone, Mrs. Ray Bochart, Mrs. Joseph Starke, Mrs. Robt. Dove, Mrs. William May, Mrs. Ernest Foldi, Mrs. Harold Meek, Mrs. Katherine Buck, Mrs. J. L. Dameron, Mrs. Emmet Nanna, Mrs. John Gale and Mrs. Haven Nichols.

NOTICE

The Greenbelt Health Association wishes to emphasize the fact that the members of the Board of Directors and the volunteer workers at the Health Center do not have access to the doctor's confidential case records.

So, please bear in mind that your neighbor--the one who is a director or the one who helps out at the Health Center--does not and cannot know anything of the confidential records belonging to Dr. Dryden.

PRE-SCHOOL MOTHERS CLUB ADJOURNS FOR SUMMER

The Pre-School Mothers Club held its last meeting of the season Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Lester D. Hayes.

The nominating committee presented the list of candidates for officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. Alice Pittman was elected president, Mrs. Harry Meriman, Vice-president, and Mrs. Isabelle McAchren, Secretary.

It was voted to have a picnic, with husbands and children participating, on the first Saturday in June. The picnic will be held jointly with the School Age Mothers Club.

Mrs. Ruth Taylor gave a summary of the article "Mental Hygiene for Mothers" appearing in the May issue of the Parents Magazine. She supplemented this with interesting articles taken from other sources.

Mrs. Downs was the guest for the evening and presented a talk in behalf of the annual Summer Round-up Committee.

Refreshments were served and the season was brought to a close with a short social hour.

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HOBBY CLUB PLANNED - MEETS FRIDAY

Manual Training Room at School Available

Town Manager Roy S. Braden has arranged that the adults of Greenbelt may use the Manual Training Room in the school provided that an organized group will assume the responsibility of the care of the equipment.

On Friday night, May 13, at 8:00 p.m., in the meeting room over the drug store, an attempt will be made to form a Hobby Club. The object of the club will be to take the responsibility for the care of the above-mentioned equipment, and to plan for the work that interested hobbyists want to do.

Any Greenbeltian, capable of using the school machines or his own equipment, and wishing to build a bookcase, lamp stand, or similar piece can join the Hobby Club and enjoy the advantages of working with and buying through a unified group.

There will be no dues. The only expense will be the cost of materials used.

Interested residents are asked to be on hand Friday night to help form the club.

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REPORT OF THE G.C.A. COMMITTEE ON MILK

At the meeting of the Greenbelt Citizens' Association May 2, 1938, the following facts were disclosed by the report of the special committee appointed to study the need of a milk ordinance for Greenbelt.

1. All milk sold in Greenbelt at the present time is from dairies which come under the inspection of either the Health Department of Montgomery County, the State of Maryland or the District of Columbia.

2. The Committee inspected the records of the various health departments and found that all milk sold in Greenbelt is safe and within the standards set for wholesome milk.

3. At the present time Prince Georges County has no milk ordinance, but Dr. Hooton, the County Health Officer has called a meeting of the dealers of the County for May 11, 1938, at the Court House in Upper Marlboro to discuss the adoption of the Standard Milk Ordinance of the U.S. Public Health Service.

4. The Committee, feeling the adoption of a County Ordinance would be for the greater good, recommended that delegates be sent to the Prince Georges Federation of Citizens Associations to work for the adoption of a County Ordinance.

5. The Committee wishes to emphasize the fact that all milk sold in Greenbelt is of exceptionally high standard and is a completely safe food product.

G.C.A. Committee on Milk
Chairman: Mr. O.M. Slye; Members:
Mrs. Harvel, Messrs. Lyons, Snyder.

POISON FOR GARDEN PESTS

Our local pharmacist, Frank L. Purdum, has been spending his spare time preparing ammunition for the Greenbelt farmers' imminent war on the villainous enemies of plant life.

The ammunition, approved by the University of Maryland, attacks the vegetables' enemy on two fronts, going after both insects and fungi. It consists of calcium arsenate, which serves as the insecticide, and Bordeaux mixture (blue stone and hydrated lime) which is the fungicide.



CHILDREN'S PAGE



"G" IS FOR GOOD

You have probably heard or read stories about the Greek people who lived hundreds of years ago. They did many wonderful things, and some of them have never been done better. They built beautiful temples--the Lincoln Memorial is copied after their architecture, and they made lovely statues. They wrote splendid plays. And they developed fine ideas about how to live, trying in every way to make their lives Good and True and Beautiful.

The Greeks believed that Truth and Goodness and Beauty included all the excellent things in the world. Many people still agree with them. Do you?

OUR FLAG RELAY TEAM

Our school is going to have a flag relay team this year. This team is going to the track meet at College Park to play against several other school teams. The team will be composed of fourth and fifth grade children. The captains of the practicing teams are Ora Dunahue and Anne Childress. We are now choosing up the regular team of eight. Mrs. Reed taught us this game.

Patsy Brown.

NOTES

Mrs. Alderton's First Grade is studying about the circus. They have brought in pictures and read stories about the circus.

Class I are attempting to make movies of the circus at home. They will give them one day this week.

This grade is also writing letters to send by air mail during Air Mail Week, May 15-21.

The Second Grade is learning about plants we eat. We are going to have the children take a trip to try to find where our garden will be.

FOURTH GRADE PUBLISHES PAPER

Last week the first edition of the Fourth Grade News appeared. Weekly editions are being planned to follow this first publication.

The paper contains twelve different articles about news and activities, and also a cartoon serial called Timmy's Adventures.

Following are some of the articles which appeared in the first edition.

PARKBELT HOMES

The Fourth Grade visited Parkbelt. We went to study the houses there as we are studying modern housing. We found bits of building material used in these houses. We will study this building material.

Bobby Hall.

TRACK MEET

We will take part in a track meet at College Park May 25, 1938. The girls have been working for their badges and some of them will play on a team. The boys have been working for their badges.

We may all go to the meet if our parents will take us.

Marilyn Maryn.

GOOD CITIZENS

We are glad so many people are using the underpasses. We are glad to see boys and girls and adults trying to protect our beautiful buildings, grass and shrubs. We are proud of our beautiful Greenbelt and we enjoy protecting its beauty.

June Zoellner.

We need rocks! We are trying to find rocks for our rock garden. Will you please help us? We will be glad to get any rocks you may bring us.

Richard Burke.

Remember the Track Meet on May 25 and the Festival on May 27. Be sure to come to both of them and bring your parents.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

WHERE IS THE HIDDEN GUEST?

Find Him at Greenbelt Grammar School

Have you heard that buzzing sound going around Greenbelt? Perhaps you have wondered what it is. What is it that people are talking about? It is the stupendous play called the HIDDEN GUEST to be given by the students of Greenbelt High School in the grammar school auditorium on Wednesday, May 25, at eight o'clock.

A widow, a convict, an old maid, a lovely debutante, a society girl, a college boy, a middle-aged realtor, and a superstitious servant are thrown together in this spectacular stage production.

Portraying these intriguing characters are such headliners as Peggy Stewart, our own star, Larita Freeman, Mary Clare Bonham, Mayfred Godd, Lorry West, Harry Ewing, Tom Poston, Leroy Clark, William Alexander, William Shron, and John Guest.

Only 25¢ for children and 30¢ for grown-ups. Imagine! Only 30¢, and you are privileged to see

THE HIDDEN GUEST

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CHATTER ** CHATTER ** CHATTER

Earl Smith is crooning again (Don't someone please choke him)

We surely are lucky to have such good sports for teachers.

From all indications, I can safely predict that the "Hidden Guest" is certain to be a big hit.

Just imagine! Harry Ewing forgot to eat his dinner last Sunday!

John Guest's English is awful sometimes. This is an example: "Harry don't do nothing right, no how."

Wade Simms can't understand how we find any gossip in Greenbelt. He says the people go to bed too early.

We wonder what makes Richard Davis so studious!

BASEBALL

May 4---Greenbelt vs. Baden

Greenbelt High School popped out of their slump yesterday with a bang! They defeated Baden High School with a score of 10 - 7.

Alexander, Greenbelt's Ace pitcher allowed one hit and struck out eight men.

The local team's batting was outstanding. The lead off men, Enzor and Ewing in cleanup position, starred, Enzor getting 4 for 4 and Ewing getting 3 for 3 accounting for 7 of our 10 hits. Enzor scored twice and Ewing three times accounting for half of our 10 runs.

Greenbelt	--	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Enzor	cf	4	2	4	0	0	0
Wisc	2b	4	1	1	1	2	0
Alexander	p	4	1	1	0	1	0
Ewing	lf	3	3	3	0	0	0
Simms	rf	2	1	1	1	0	0
Provost	lb	3	0	0	4	0	0
Smith	c	3	1	0	8	0	0
Hudgins	3b	3	0	0	1	1	0
Bozievich	ss	2	1	0	0	0	2
Greenbelt	-	4	0	2	3	1	
Baden	-	0	0	3	1	3	

Somewhere a son will read this page--and later perhaps--a daughter Scrap-books may save it for granddaughters

They will all smile--understanding.

In twenty generations--

The poems and words may be true--

And the questions--as absurd--

As those seen on this page.

Aren't people funnier than anybody?

Varina Craig-(English Composition)

People wear clothes for protection against the weather and for ----- adornment.

Earl Smith--

You mean protection against embarrassment.

Who was seen riding in a certain Austin on a certain night with a certain R. W. Could it have been P. S.

(Guess Who!)

AMERICAN LEGION ACTIVITIES

At the last regular meeting of our local post we had as our guest Mr. Peter Carroll, chairman of the Cooperative Organizing Committee. Those members present enjoyed and gave close attention to an outline of the Consumer's Distribution Corporation, which forms the basis for the coop enterprises in Greenbelt. The C.O.C. lease stipulates that, provided the citizens of our community so elect, they may take over the enterprises. Mr. Carroll also explained how we may expect the Cooperative to function and how, under proper management, we as citizens may thereby benefit.

Unfortunately, due to the free band concert and to the indifferent attitude of some members, our attendance was the smallest since the formation of the post. Nevertheless, those present showed much interest and the proposal was discussed pro and con.

Our membership now stands 78% of the Department quota established for us. By collecting a few outstanding dues and with a few new members we can more than go over the top.

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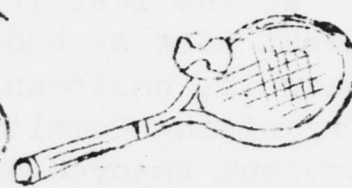
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TWILIGHT SOFTBALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

About the Kentucky Derby: The Derby record over the mile and a quarter distance is 2:1 4/5, which was established by Twenty Grand in 1931.... The Derby winner to pay the biggest price was Donerail, who \$184.90 for a \$2 ticket back in 1913..... The Washington sports writers are due for an awful letdown in the event that Buddy Lewis is not named to play third base for the American League team in the all-star game....They are giving him a terrific build up..... With all due respect to Lewis, who is a great little ball player-our vote would go to Bill Werber, third sacker for Connie Mack's Athletics.. It will take Buddy a couple more seasons to reach the peak that Werber is at now.....Andy Freeman, who throws from the portside, looks like Greenbelt's Junior Legion nine's number one hurler.....According to Leo Mullen, who has caught the best of them - the kid's got something... Can you imagine a guy tipping the beams at 625 pounds letting a little guy weighing a measly 380, beat him? That's what happened at the Turner's arena affair last week between Martin (Blimp) Levy and Chief Sanooke..Blimpy, you ought to be ashamed..... If the Washington Senators batsmen can do as well as their supposedly shaky pitching staff, the Nats will stay right up there.....The University of Maryland really put on a big show in their twenty-first annual spring field day which was held last Saturday.....Approximately 500 school and college athletes took part in the three track meets, baseball game and tennis match.....The three track meets were run concurrently... Too bad a fellow only has one pair of eyes.....

DON'T FORGET LADIES GYM CLASSES
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Six teams have been entered in the softball league sponsored by the Greenbelt Athletic Club, which is expected to get underway next week.

At a special meeting of the athletic club held last week, the following men were elected as team captains: Johnny Lyons and Morris Spector to lead two C block groups, Phil Claxton and Frank Drass in Block D, John Bozek, Block E and L. H. Widger in block J. Schedules are being worked out by Bob Mareck, Vice-President of the club and the team captains and will be announced shortly.

It was also decided to form a representative team from the various block teams to compete with outside clubs. Phil Claxton was elected as manager of this combination.

OUR WOMEN ATHLETES

Not satisfied with their gymnasium activities, the ladies of Greenbelt have gone out for bigger and better games and have now added softball to their repertoire.

Saturday afternoon, they borrowed their husbands gloves, bats, etc., and took over the softball diamond. As we were not among those present, we do not know whether they had enough available to choose sides or play two knocker or just plain catch if possible. Whatever the game was, you can bet it was a lulu.

ATTENTION SOFTBALL ENTHUSIASTS

All members of the athletic club who are interested in playing softball should get in touch with their block representative or George Bauer, president of the club. Umpires and scorekeepers are also needed for the league games.

LEGION NINE HARD AT WORK

Still lack necessary Equipment.

Another Bob Feller or a Buddy Lewis may be in the making right here in Greenbelt. Among the thirty-five candidates for the Greenbelt American Legion Junior Baseball Team, who are rounding into shape under the expert tutelage of Leo Mullen, there might be a boy who will someday take his place along side of the Fellers, Lewises, Hassons and a score of other major leaguers who obtained their starts in American Legion competition.

These teams who are composed of boys under seventeen years of age, have been sponsored by Legion posts throughout the country for the past ten or twelve years and are increasing in popularity from year to year. An elimination tournament scheduled to get underway in July will wind up with the winning teams meeting in the National championship which will be held in September at Los Angeles. The local team will tee off with four other Md. clubs in July with the winners being awarded with a large trophy donated by Mrs. Dunn, owner of the Baltimore Orioles. As the Greenbelt Post has the only representative team in Prince Georges county, boys from the surrounding county towns will be eligible for the team so a high grade club is anticipated.

Leo Mullen, who deserves a great deal of praise for his efforts in getting this team together is considerably handicapped due to a lack of equipment. As the legion does not have the necessary facilities available to run social events to raise funds for the team, they have been forced to solicit donations for equipment and in some instances have had to dig down in their jeans to buy the balls, bats, etc. Uniforms have not as yet been purchased.

Mr. Mullen, who has been actively interested in junior baseball ever since he retired from professional baseball. Mullen, caught for Birmingham in the Southern League and played in various organized circuits throughout the country. He is being assisted

GYM SCHEDULES

Men: Tuesdays and Fridays
Women: Wednesday
Join in These activities.

VOLLEY BALL FINALS FRIDAY NIGHT

The volley ball tournament which has been in progress for the past several weeks will come to a close Friday night when the final round of games will be played. There is no admission charge and the public is invited to witness these games. They will be called promptly at 8.00 o'clock.

SOFTBALL TEAM TO MEET COLONIAL VILLAGE

The Greenbelt A. C. will renew their athletic relations with Colonial Village Saturday afternoon when they engage the boys from Virginia in a softball game Saturday afternoon. The game will be played on the temporary field near the Medical center and is scheduled to get underway at 3:30 o'clock.

SCHOOLBOYS DEFEAT EDMONSTON

A softball team composed of boys from the elementary school of Greenbelt traveled to Edmonston last Tuesday where they defeated the eighth grade team of that town by the close score of 2-0. J. L. Dameron and Blake Palmer shared the pitching honors in registering the shutout victory. Billy Dodson, was behind the bat for the local boys. Werner Steinle, local silver tone tenor, and Johnny Bozek Jr. scored the winning runs. A return game will be played at Greenbelt Tuesday afternoon.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday night 8 o'clock Volley Ball
finals. School gymnasium

Saturday afternoon 3:30 o'clock.
Greenbelt A. C. vs. Colonial Village
Softball

by Bob Thompson who has had considerable experience in organized ball.
Congratualtions to Mr. Mullen and the entire American Legion post for your interest in such a remarkable cause.

VOLLEY BALL

After a fast and furious round of play among the 9 teams in the Greenbelt A. C. Volley Ball League the final round finds the 4 following teams ready for the battle of the Century, next Friday at the School Gym:

Block E represented by Captain Starke's team; Block C represented by Captain Abraham's team; Block J represented by Captain Dunaway's team; and Block D represented by Captain Eisenbaugh's team.

An elimination series' best 3 games out of 5 between these 4 teams will decide the Greenbelt Champs and winners of the Silver Cup which was donated by the Lowe-Campbell Sporting Goods Co.

These 4 teams are all willing players and ready to battle from start to finish. All Greenbelt is invited to watch the final round Friday, May 13 at 8:00 p.m. NO ADMISSION charge.

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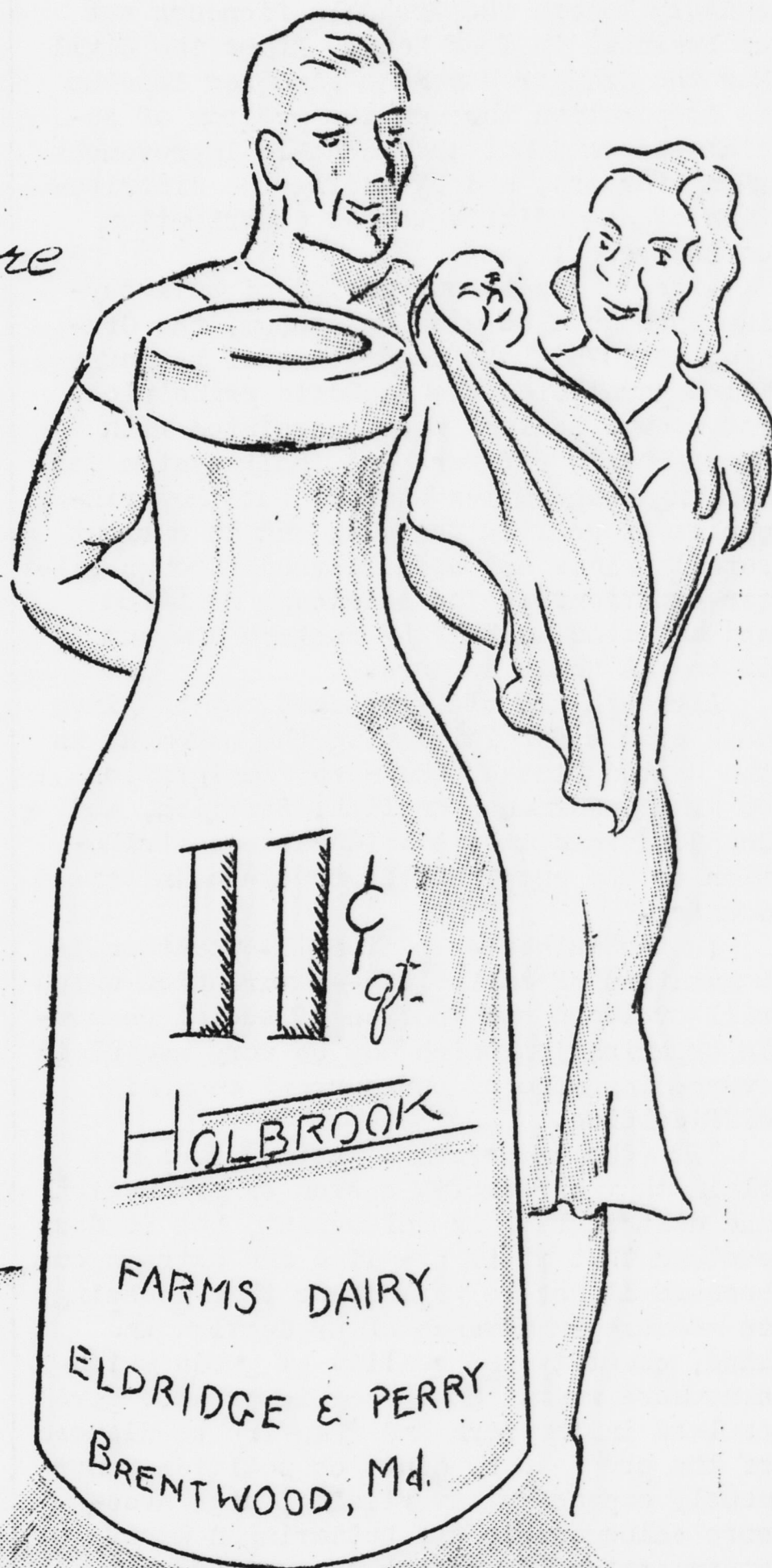
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AMERICAN COOPERATIVES: A BOOK REVIEW

A new book on Cooperatives and their growth in the United States has just appeared in the book stalls. It is John Daniel's COOPERATION-AN AMERICAN WAY.

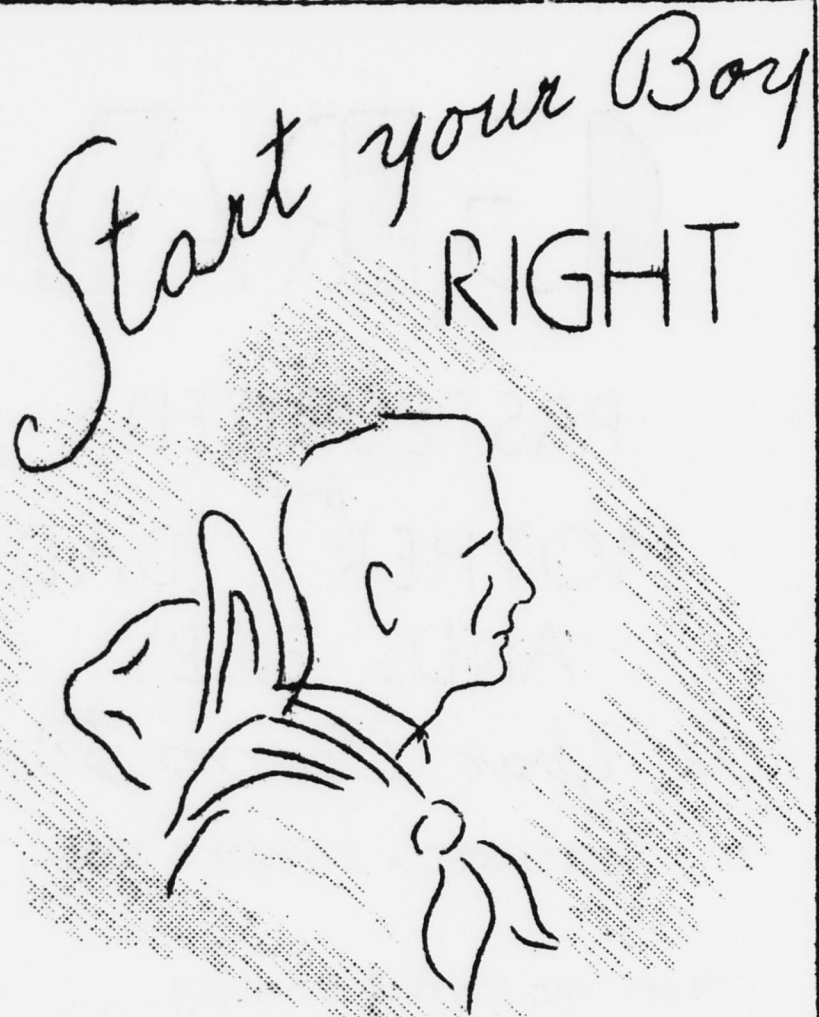
The author points out that the cradle of consumer cooperation in America was the mutual fire insurance groups formed by the farmers of the country one quarter of a century before the Rochdale Pioneers set up business in Toad Lane. After the Civil War the Granger Movement gave new impetus to cooperation through its program of social, educational and economic improvement among farmers, and by adding the distribution of commodities to the distribution of insurance.

After a disastrous period of bulk buying through a commission system, the Grange, in 1875, laid down rules of business which paralleled the Rochdale principles. The Grange leaders were acquainted with the Rochdale Pioneers and their system for running cooperative stores, but the principles of selling for cash and at current retail prices had been learned through bitter experience. The Americans modified and adjusted an English Pattern and cut it to fit their stature.

Although the old Americans may be given much credit for initiating the movement in the United States, the newer immigration of Finns, Germans, English, Scottish, and Scandinavians made considerable contribution to the cooperative structure in this country.

In the author's opinion, cooperation is a mutation of capitalism--a variation which will evolve a new species of social economic organization which may be very useful in overcoming some of our current economic difficulties.

"It (the cooperative system) does not claim that our profit system of production and distribution is malevolent, but it does contend that it is bungling and extravagant because it has no way, other than guessing, to measure in advance of production the kind, quantity and quality of goods which consumers want. So it has to produce more or less in the dark and then try to dispose of the products by acute competition, enormously expensive advertising, high pressure salesmanship and battering down of consumers' sales-resistance. Over-production and recession necessarily occur, in cycles. And consumers pay all the bills--all the costs and all the profits.



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Society pays the wreckage."

In order to gauge production in advance producers and consumers must get together in cooperation. This is being done much more readily now that producers, especially farmers, have become consumer-conscious.

Consumer cooperation does not propose to replace the profit system by revolutionary methods. It has no desire to kill the patient in order to cure him. The present distributive system needs revitalized blood in its veins, but it does not have to be bled to death before the transfusion takes place.

Mr. Daniels is convinced that consumer cooperation is succeeding in America. He realizes that it still has many difficulties within its own boundaries to overcome. There must be a community of interest developed between consumers on the farm and in the cities. Education of employees, of members, and of the public has to be financed, in most cases, by the movement itself -- and is a never-ending job. Integration of the scattered regional wholesales, district leagues, and various farmers' cooperative associations is an accomplishment undertaken by The Cooperative League in New York City -- but with some tag-ends still to be tucked in.

If any one desires a panoramic view of this economic democracy which is struggling up through the hard, rich soil of America, trying to push its way through the waste piled up by business systems, not business men, he will do well to spend an evening or two with John Daniels' COOPERATION-AN AMERICAN WAY.

Ollie E. Hoffman

LEGION (Continued)

servance of "Air Mail Week", May 15th to 21st, as a patriotic activity in line with the Legion's national defense objectives, has been urged by National Commander Daniel J. Doherty. The National Chairman of the Air Mail Week campaign is Paul R. Younts, Postmaster of Charlotte, N.C. and an outstanding Legionaire.

Over the Top, you Legionaires - let us make the next meeting a "whopper". There is much to be accomplished. Will be seein' you then - Thursday May 19th.

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

May 11	The Modern Short Story	4.20 P.M.	Auditorium
11	(U. of M.) Band Concert in front of Library Bldg.	6.00 P.M.	U. of M.
11	Women's Gym	8.00 P.M.	Gym
11	Journalistic Club	8.00 P.M.	
12	Cooperative Organizing Com. Open Meeting	8.00 P.M.	Social Room
12	(U. of M.) Chemical Society of Washington Meeting	8.00 P.M.	Engineering Aud.
13	(U. of M.) Freshman LaCrosse Game with Loyola College	4.00 P.M.	U. of M.
13	(U. of M.) Varsity Baseball Game with North Carolina	4.00 P.M.	U. of M.
13	Boy Scouts	7.30 P.M.	School
13	Men's Gym: Volley Ball Finals	8.00 P.M.	Gym
13	Hobby Club: Organization Meeting	8.00 P.M.	Meeting Room
14	(U. of M.) Varsity Baseball Game with Duke University - Admission 50¢	2.30 P.M.	U. of M.
14	(U. of M.) Varsity Tennis Matches with Georgetown	3.00 P.M.	U. of M.
14	Brownies	4.00 P.M.	Chez Brownie Owl
14	Credit Union Office Hours	5.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M.	Meeting Room
14	Official Town Seal and Flag Contest closes-12.00 Midnight		
15	Catholic Sunday School	8.30 A.M.	School
15	Mass	9.00 A.M.	School
15	Sunday School	9.30 A.M.	School
15	Church	11.00 A.M.	Auditorium
15-21	Air Mail Week (AIR MAIL DAY MAY 19)		
19	Air Mail Plane Leaves Greenbelt	9.45 A.M.	Schrom Airport
19	Air Mail Plane Arrives at Greenbelt	11.15 A.M.	Schrom Airport
21	Citizens' Association Dance	8.30 P.M.	School

BEHIND THE SCENES

Greenbelt went Dramatically mad last week, although our neglected families had another name for it. Although sympathetic, several husbands felt that though their wives were undoubtedly Bernhardt's, art did not quite suffice for three squares a day.

Picture the let down for Lady Margaret to wash dishes. Or imagine our temperamental Prima Donna gardening. Lord Gerald may have a greater respect for his bachelor-hood now that he worries over pearls for his lady.

Custer had several big jobs--chief among them was to hush the fuss down in the makeup room to prevent our innermost secrets going out over the microphone to you -- our public.

Backstage presented more humorous lines than the playwrights ever penned. You should have seen the bewilderment of the male members of the cast wallowing in cold cream and powder who under the expert guidance of Dorothy East lost their familiar features so that even

their loving wives would hardly have known them.

Teddy Murray certainly took the part of the mother hen trying to keep her fluttering fledglings calm in the midst of chaos.

All honor to the unsung, unseen, and by then unconscious heroes who arrived home at seven in the morning Friday after having transferred the curtain from the school auditorium to the theatre. Long and loud applause to Messrs. East, Fundlin, Lyman and Porter.

But it was fun -- and we hope you enjoyed yourselves -- and now the old SHOW (housework to you) MUST GO ON.

S. D. C.

DENTIST'S PHONE

Our dentist's phone is Greenbelt 2261. His office is at 30-A Ridge Road.

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